World Bank and Asian Development Bank assistance of PMGSY

665. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank have agreed to give a loan of 400 million each to assist the ambitious Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the loans will help cover at least 10 States under the scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (d) During 2004-05, Loan Agreements were signed with both the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank for funding of rural roads under the PMGSY. The World Bank loan/credit is worth US $399.50 million (US $ 300 million as IDA Credit and US $ 99.50 million as IBRD loan), for funding of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in the States of Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved loan is US $ 400 million for funding PMGSY in the States of Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh.

Implementation of National Employment Guarantee Legislation

†666. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government will implement the National Employment Guarantee Legislation in order to provide employment to the families living below poverty line in the rural areas;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.